IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TIMMERMAN ET AL.

Serial No. 09/423,572

Filed: November 29, 1999

Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: Elizabeth M. Cole

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PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the PTO communication dated February 19, 2003 by three months. With the extension the response is due on or before August 19, 2003. A check for \$1,680.00 (which includes \$930) is enclosed herewith to cover the fee required under 37 CFR $\S1.17(a)(3)$ for a large entity.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST-CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 19, 2003

Nanda P.B.A. Kumar, Esq.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the enclosed amount or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 19, 2003

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